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ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF GROTON

The Groton
Recreation Committee
dedicates this pavilion
in memory of

Eben Beever


In recognition of his
hard work and dedication
to his community, family
and friends.
May we all learn from
the examples he set.

"It is not length of life
but depth of life"

- Ralph Waldo Emerson



For the Year Ending December 31, 2008



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Annual Report *of the Officers of*



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Town of Groton
New Hampshire
Year Ending December 31, 2008

Groton Town Officials

December 31, 2008

Board of Selectmen

Michael Brogna	2010
Miles Sinclair	2009

Moderator

Lou Lieto	2009
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Town Clerk and Tax Collector

Joyce A. Tolman	2009
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Deputy Town Clerk

Laura Hauser

Treasurer

Jessica Hobart	2011
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Deputy Treasurer

Elizabeth Christiansen

Administrative Assistant

Pamela Hamel

Road Agent

Glen Hansen	2010
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Emergency Management Director

Mike Lemieux

Fire Chief/Fire Warden

Roger Thompson

Deputy Wardens

Michael Lemieux

Bill Oakley

Joe Pivrotto

Norm Willey

Groton Town Officials (Cont.)

Police Chief

William White

Officers

Sgt Joe Pivirotto

Sgt Travis Austin

EJ Thompsom

Health Officer

Charles Stata

Librarian

Pamela Yinger

Library Trustees

Joyce Tolman	2009
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Anne Tobine	2011
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Jacqueline Broгна	2010
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Planning Board

Steve “Slim” Spafford	2009
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Steve Lindsey	2009
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Debra Johnson	2010
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Celine Richer	2010
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Russell Carruth	2011
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Kyle Andrews	2011
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Miles Sinclair (Selectmen’s Liaison)	
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Supervisors of the Checklist

Pamela Yinger	2010
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Shirley Leone	2012
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Rachelle Hamel	2014
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Cemetery Trustees

Patti Demers Bailey	2009
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Tammy Sousa	2011
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Roberta “Betty” Smolinsky	2010
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Groton Town Officials (Cont.)

Trustee of Trust Funds

Gordon Coursey	2009
Jackie Brogna	2010
Kathy Estabrook	2011

Conservation Commission

Gordon Coursey (Chairman)
Joyce Tolman
Kyle Browning
Betty Smolinsky
Jackie Brogna (Secretary)
Joyce Whitney
John Whitney

Zoning Board

Chuck Stata(Zoning Board of Adjustment, Chair)
Kevin Maass (Co-Chairman)
Gordon Coursey
Bruce Jones
Frank Grelle
Patti Bailey (Alternate)
Glen Hansen (Alternate)
Joe Koslow (Alternate)

Recreation Committee

Joyce Tolman
Anne Tobine
Pamela Yinger
Bonnie Lane
Vickie Kimball
Alison Bagley
Mike Brogna (Selectmen's Liaison)

A LETTER FROM THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

It is that time of year again when town officials need to be elected and the proposed budget voted on. 2008 has been an interesting year with many challenges for the Board. One member of the Board resigned in July. We got a good response to fill that position, conducted interviews and appointed Miles Sinclair to the Board. Shortly thereafter, a second member resigned. We again went through the interview process and appointed a new member. However, due to job related responsibilities, he needed to decline the offer. As we were well into preparing the budget, we as a Board decided to let the people fill the vacancies at election time.

We have had several work sessions with the various department heads and committees to put together an operating budget with the goal of reducing it. That said, sadly we were unable to cut it due to the cost of services the town offers its residents. With an increase of \$13,017, the proposed budget is sound and maintains our level of services.

One step we took to lower taxes for 2008 was to apply \$55,000 of the unreserved fund balance to the town portion of the tax rate which enabled us to lower the town portion by \$.47 and the overall rate by \$.01 per thousand from last year. Although this does not seem like much, in an economy when the cost of services continues to climb we are thankful to be able to maintain our services without an increase.

The second step is one that you, the residents of Groton, can control. This is with the warrant articles. This is our position: if the article is a need we have asked that it be funded through the unreserved fund balance. If the article is a want we funded it through general taxation. With our present economy and the unemployment rate continuing to rise, we do not feel it is the time for large expenditures unless they are voted in by you. Our goal is to maintain the current service our residents have come to expect at the lowest possible cost.

I would like to thank Miles Sinclair for accepting the position. He has done a good job. He stated that it takes more effort than he was led to believe which is an understatement. We as a Board would like you to know that we are here, working for you and not for our own agenda, keeping in mind that the things we do and decisions we make are to benefit all town residents. Our door is always open.

Thank you to those of you who have given time and/or ideas towards the many events and issues that face our little town. There are too many to mention but we all know who you are.

Town of Groton Board of Selectmen,
Michael Brogna, Chairman
Miles Sinclair

Town of Groton Warrant 2009 Annual Meeting

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WARRANT FOR 2009 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF GROTON

To the inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the county of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Groton Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the 10th day of March, next, polls to be open at eleven o'clock in the morning until seven o'clock in the evening for voting on Articles 1, 2 and 3, and meeting for action on the remaining articles in the Warrant at six o'clock in the evening.

BALLOT ARTICLES MARCH 10, 2009

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: Are you in favor of the ratification of the zoning ordinance adopted in 2007 as proposed by the planning board?

ARTICLE 3: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 466:30-a which make it unlawful for any dog to run at large, except when accompanied by the owner or custodian, and when used for hunting, herding, supervised competition and exhibition or training for such?"

DELIBERATIVE SESSION MARCH 10, 2009

ARTICLE 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred forty-nine thousand, nine hundred fifty-eight dollars (\$549,958), which represents the Operating Budget for the ensuing year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) for the preparation and shimming of North Groton Road.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand, five hundred dollars (\$1,500) for aprons for Fletcher and Old Rumney Roads.

ARTICLE 7: To See if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand, nine hundred fifty-six dollars (\$6,956) for the fourth year's lease payment toward the purchase of the 2006 Ford F350 Cab/Chassis for the highway department, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008. This lease contains an escape clause.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand, nine hundred dollars (\$3,900) for on call time pay for the Police Department.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purchase and installation of an on demand generator for the Town House/Emergency Shelter, said sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008. The selectmen intend to apply for federal and state grants for this project which will reduce the amount of unreserved fund balance needed. No money is to be raised through taxation.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for deposit into the Town House Capital Reserve Fund, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for deposit into the Truck/Sander Capital Reserve Fund, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for deposit into the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for deposit into the Disaster Relief Capital Reserve Fund, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for deposit into the Atwell/Orange Brook Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000) for deposit into the Fire & Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of repairing Province Road, with five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) and the balance of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to come from general taxation.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for support of the Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA).

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to have the Chief of Police position to be a full time position.

ARTICLE 19: Shall the town vote pursuant to RSA 32:5, V-a to require that the numeric tally of votes by the board of selectmen relative to recommending the operating budget and all warrant articles be printed on the warrant next to the affected warrant articles?

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred sixty-six dollars (\$866) for deposit into the Conservation Fund, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2008. This sum represents 3% of the Timber Tax revenue for 2008.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Perambulation Non Capital Reserve Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008, and to further appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred seventy-two dollars (\$672) to be placed in the Conservation Fund, this sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2008.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to rescind the 1972 warrant article prohibiting the spraying of the power lines.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand, three hundred four dollars (\$5,304) for the purchase of digital radios and a repeater, with two thousand, six hundred fifty-two dollars (\$2,652) to come from grant money and the balance of two thousand, six hundred fifty-two dollars (\$2,652) to come from general taxation. Funding of this article is contingent on the town receiving the offsetting grant money.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ninety-three thousand, eight hundred fifty-two dollars (\$93,852) to purchase and equip a plow truck for the highway department.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to replace the lights in the Town House Hall.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-four thousand dollars (\$64,000) for the construction of a garage to house the Police Cruiser, with twenty-two thousand, four hundred dollars (\$22,400) to come from grant money and the balance of forty-one thousand, six hundred dollars (\$41,600) to come from general taxation. Funding of this article is contingent on the town receiving the offsetting grant money.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for the purchase and installation of a computer for the selectmen's office.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this 10th day of February 2009.

GROTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Michael Brogna, Chairman
Miles Sinclair

Summary of Expenditures

II - EXPENDITURES (TOTAL) OPERATING BUDGET SPECIAL & INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

4130	1 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
	EXECUTIVE				
	4130.1	Administrative Assistant Wages	31,400	29,579.31	30,000
	4130.2	Selectmen Stipend	9,000	7,902.50	9,000
	4130.3	Moderator Salary	200	452.50	600
	4130.4	Other Town Meeting Expense	200	319.92	320
	4130.5	Contracted Services(Web hosting)	200	166.22	250
	4130.6	Workshops & Seminars	450	355.00	150
	4130.7	Telephone/Internet	1,500	1,324.18	1,400
	4130.8	Mileage	700	460.13	1,000
	4130.9	Supplies	1,500	1,030.97	2,000
	4130.10	Postage	700	609.38	800
4130.11	Furniture / Fixtures	300	236.57	500	
4130.12	Office Equipment Maintenance	700	1,170.45	500	
4140	ELECTION/REGIST/VITAL STATS				
	4140.1	Town Clerk/Tax Collector Salary	24,960	24,960.00	24,960
	4140.2	Deputy Wages	8,320	4,012.50	2,600
	4140.3	Town Clerk Fees - Other	1,500	1,419.57	1,300
	4140.4	Workshops & Seminars	1,500	1,072.98	1,500
	4140.5	Telephone/Internet	1,000	855.79	1,000
	4140.6	Computer Maintenance/Software	3,000	3,102.79	3,000
	4140.7	Advertising	520	255.00	1,200
	4140.8	Supplies-Election	120	64.70	160
	4140.9	Supplies-General	900	655.34	1,400
	4140.10	Postage	1,100	955.77	1,200
	4140.11	Other Town Clerk Expenses	250	199.89	25
4140.12	Election Expense	250		250	
4140.13	Ballot Clerks	900	2,362.50	2,740	
4140.14	Checklist Supervisors	585	1,705.00	2,200	
4140.15	Mileage	1,750			
4150	FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION				
	4150.1	Financial Reporting (Town Report)	30,890	26,818.24	29,040
	4150.2	Auditing	1,100	906.25	1,000
	4150.3	Assessing	6,750	4,014.07	5,000
	4150.4	Treasurer Salary	20,000	19,197.92	20,000
	4150.5	Deputy Treasurer Salary	2,700	2,700.00	2,700
	4150.6	Mileage	240		240
	4150.7	Treasurer's Supplies	75	0.00	50
			25		50

Summary of Expenditures

4153	LEGAL EXPENSES	12,500	3,800.81	8,500
	Claims, Judgments and/or Settlements	1,000		1,000
	Attorney Fees - General Advice	4,000	3,800.81	7,500
4155	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	55,985	35,860.04	54,600
	Benefits Not Allocated to Other Departments	8,000	3,445.62	8,600
	Health Insurance	37,485	21,724.35	36,000
	FICA	10,500	10,690.07	10,000
4191	PLANNING AND ZONING	3,651	1,638.84	1,775
	Planning Board Postage	250	147.97	250
	Planning Board Advertisement	250	96.50	100
	Planning Board Mileage	300		
	Recording Fees	50	101.00	
	Planning Board Dues	1		100
	Planning Board Supplies	50	18.74	250
	Planning Board Seminars/Training	250	225.00	250
	Planning Board Legal	1,000	572.55	350
	Zoning Appeals (Legal)	1,000	0.00	25
	Zoning Board Seminars	250	250.13	250
	Zoning Supplies/postage	100	139.95	100
	Zoning Administration	0		100
	Zoning Mileage	50		
4194	GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	15,950	10,892.19	16,400
	Advertising/notices	100	87.00	
	Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance:	3,000	1,334.65	6,500
	Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance: Wages	1,600	962.50	1,000
	Town Garage Repairs & Maintenance	1,600		
	Transfer Station Repairs & Maintenance	500		
	Cleaning Supplies	150	105.16	400
	General Supplies	150	570.43	
	Contracted Services(Security Monitoring/Elevator)	1,500	1,387.86	500
	Town House Electric	2,300	2,150.60	2,500
	Town House Heat	5,000	4,260.94	5,000
	Water Bubbler	150	120.05	500
4195	CEMETERIES	2,825	2,466.53	3,500
	Cemetery Repairs & Maintenance	1,500	1,325.00	1,500
	Salaries	1,000	1,036.00	1,500
	Supplies	200	64.50	150
	Mileage	75	0.00	0
	Fuel	50	41.03	350
4196	GENERAL INSURANCE	15,800	13,512.20	16,622
	Property & Liability Insurance	8,000	7,403.72	10,513
	Workers' Compensation	7,800	6,108.48	6,109
4197	ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOC	2,100	923.18	1,700
	Advertising	750	224.50	1,000
	Dues	1,350	698.68	700
4199	OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	11,526	1,780.95	11,025
	Exigent/Hazardous Circumstances	25	0.00	25

* expenses associated
with subdivisions/
special exceptions/
etc. are offset by
revenues

Summary of Expenditures

4199.2 Forestry 1 0.00 0
 4199.3 Tax Mapping 1,500 1,780.95 1,000
 4199.4 * Grants 10,000 10,000 *off set by revenues

2 - PUBLIC SAFETY

4210 POLICE
 4210.1 Police Chief Wages
 4210.2 Police Officer Full Time Wages
 4210.3 Police Officer Part Time Wages
 4210.4 Telephone/Communications
 4210.5 Dues & Subscriptions includes software
 4210.6 Other-Equipment Repairs/Maint
 4210.7 Office Supplies
 4210.8 NH Special Ops Unit
 4210.9 Dispatch Service
 4210.10 Prosecutor
 4210.11 Vehicle Maintenance
 4210.12 Cruiser Equipment
 4210.13 Uniforms
 4210.14 Books/Periodicals
 4210.15 Guns & Ammunition
 4210.16 Mileage
 4210.17 Postage
 4210.18 Gasoline for Cruiser
 4210.19 Advertising
 4210.20 Training
 4210.21 Animal Control
 4210.22 Cruiser Payment

134,502	110,166.40	130,153
89,150	68,356.02	82,456
8,000	12,267.50	8,000
42,000		42,000
6,000	26,152.51	6,000
2,750	2,603.15	2,500
250	185.00	1,850
350	1,036.00	500
500	804.63	500
2,500	2,500.00	2,500
6,291	6,797.00	6,797
6,157	4,458.12	4,459
250	693.80	3,000
1	2,715.91	0
1,500	2,410.90	500
150	68.00	75
950	1,001.24	750
500	562.46	400
100	14.25	100
3,500	3,573.19	2,500
750	512.36	25
1,250		
4,151		

FIRE/AMBULANCE

4220 Administration
 4220.1 Communications/Training
 4220.2 Equipment
 4220.3 Contracted Services - Hebron
 4220.4 Contracted Services - Rumney
 4220.5 Lakes Region Mutual Aid
 4220.6 Dues
 4220.7 Mileage
 4220.8 Other

42,852	41,810.38	44,697
500	150.00	500
500	174.50	750
1,000	1,695.79	2,500
26,500	26,524.52	27,000
8,000	7,219.00	8,000
6,052	6,046.57	5,947
150		
150		

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Other

2,500		3,000
2,500		3,000

3 - HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

ADMINISTRATION

4311.1 * Wages
 4311.2 Telephone
 4311.3 Training & CDL Testing
 4311.4 Electricity
 4311.5 Heating Fuel
 4311.6 Building Maintenance
 4311.7 Mileage

92,276	84,431.06	93,870
45,250	38,142.43	57,070
40,000	33,721.25	49,920
925	919.72	900
350	495.00	350
700	543.13	1,000
3,000	2,369.31	2,600
0		2,000
200		200

*offset by revenues

Summary of Expenditures

4311.8	Membership/Dues	25	25.00	50
4311.9	Office Supplies	50	69.02	50
4312	HIGHWAYS & STREETS	45,826	45,297.33	35,800
4312.1	Paving & Reconstruction	0		0
4312.2	Vehicle Cleaning & Maintenance	1,000	1,523.29	200
4312.3	Highway Vehicles-Equipment Repairs	9,000	12,564.69	8,000
4312.4	Equipment Rentals	4,500	683.84	3,000
4312.5	Material	2,500	152.85	2,000
4312.6	Signs	350	306.31	300
4312.7	Uniforms	25	200.00	300
4312.8	Tools & Equipment Purchases	1,000	652.86	1,000
4312.9	Gas	350	162.77	200
4312.10	Winter Fuel	9,000	11,986.16	7,000
4312.11	Salt, Sand, Deicer	15,000	16,399.56	8,800
4312.12	Hydrants	1		0
4312.13	Vegetation Control			
4312.14	Culverts			
4312.15	Safety	2,500	665.00	2,000
4316	STREET LIGHTING	600	0.00	0
4316.1	Utility Charges	1,200	991.30	1,000
4321	4 - SANITATION	56,300	52,909.74	58,635
4321	MONITORING	6,000	6,633.44	9,685
4324	Landfill Monitoring	6,000	6,633.44	9,685
4324.1	SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	50,300	46,276.30	48,950
4324.2	Wages/Stipend	16,000	16,534.94	18,000
4324.3	Telephone	500	417.55	600
4324.4	Training & Certification	250	100.00	300
4324.5	Electricity	1,100	951.28	1,100
4324.6	Propane	1,000	684.23	600
4324.7	Supplies	175	178.21	250
4324.8	Compactor Related Expenses	2,500	2,435.80	2,000
4324.9	Mileage	150	114.60	250
4324.10	Dues	900	1,277.30	1,500
4324.11	Portable Toilet	1,400	1,300.00	1,800
4324.12	Transportation Costs	25,000	21,993.29	22,000
4324.13 *	Uniforms	25	99.99	300
	Safety	800	39.11	250
	Other (frig/tire disposal)	500	150.00	0
4411	6 - HEALTH	6,694	4,739.61	5,682
4411.1	ADMINISTRATION	3,180	1,257.61	2,200
4411.2	Stipend	1,500	0.00	1,500
4411.3	Supplies/Postage	200	52.50	200
4411.4	Mileage	100	1,120.11	400
4411.5	Training	100		
4411.6	Dues	100	85.00	100
4411.7	Water Testing	180		
	Legal	1,000		
4415	HEALTH AGENCIES AND HOSPITALS	3,514	3,482.00	3,482

*offset by revenues

Summary of Expenditures

4415.1	Plymouth Regional Clinic	100	1,000.00	1,000
4415.2	Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency	2,295	2,232.00	2,232
4415.3	Task Force / Domestic Violence	500	0.00	0
4415.4	Genesis Behavioral Health	619	250.00	250
4442	7 - WELFARE	7,300	4,074.93	7,300
	DIRECT ASSISTANCE	2,000		2,000
4442.1	Direct Assistance	2,000		2,000
4444	INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE PAYMENTS	1,300	1,300.00	1,300
4444.1	Tri-County Community Action	1,100	1,100.00	1,100
4444.2	Grafton County Senior Citizens	200	200.00	200
4445	VENDOR PAYMENTS	4,000	2,774.93	4,000
4445.1	Other Vendor Payments	4,000	2,774.93	4,000
4520	8 - CULTURE AND RECREATION	8,154	7,533.34	8,084
4520.1	PARKS & RECREATION	4,904	3,580.26	4,234
	Administration	0	0.00	0
4520.2	Maintenance of Parks	1,250	1,096.26	1,700
4520.3	Maintenance of Recreational Facilities	50	0.00	50
4520.4	Porta Potty	1,020		
4520.5	Advertising	100		
4520.6	Tappley Thompson Community Center	2,484	2,484.00	2,484
4550	LIBRARY	1,900	3,274.33	2,000
4550.1 *	Wages	1,400	2,274.33	1,000
4550.2	Library Other	500	1,000.00	1,000
4583	PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	500		500
4583.1	Town Events	500		500
4611	CONSERVATION	850	678.75	1,350
4611.1	Other/Fishing Derby	750	593.75	850
4611.2	workshops/seminars/dues	100	85.00	100
4611.3	Postage/supplies	0	0.00	400
4902	13 - CAPITAL OUTLAY	284,550	88,920	90,034
4903	MACHINERY, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT	106,112	17,020	17,022
4903	BUILDINGS ENCUMBERED	81,000	3,600	3,600
4909	IMPROVEMENTS OTHER THAN BUILDINGS			
4915	14 - IN FUND TRANSFERS OUT	67,438	39,800	40,912
	TRANSFERS TO THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	30,000	28,500	28,500

*offset by revenues

2009 Budget MS-6

MS-6

BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: _____ Groton _____

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2009 ___ to December 31, 2009 _____

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): February 11, 2009

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Michael Brogna _____

Miles Sinclair _____

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THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	4	46,520	43,607.13	46,850	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	4	43,535	41,621.83	46,655	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	4	29,040	26,818.24	30,890	
4152	Revaluation of Property		-	-	-	
4153	Legal Expense	4	8,500	3,800.81	12,500	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	4	54,600	35,860.04	55,985	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	4	1,775	1,638.84	3,651	
4194	General Government Buildings	4	16,400	10,892.19	15,950	
4195	Cemeteries	4	3,500	2,466.53	2,825	
4196	Insurance	4	16,622	13,512.20	15,800	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	4	1,700	923.18	2,100	
4199	Other General Government	4	11,025	1,780.95	11,526	
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	4	82,456	68,356.02	89,150	
4215-4219	Ambulance		-	-	-	
4220-4229	Fire	4	44,697	41,810.38	42,852	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		-	-	-	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	4	3,000	-	2,500	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)		-	-	-	
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations		-	-	-	
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	4	57,070	38,807.43	45,250	
4312	Highways & Streets	4	35,800	44,632.33	45,826	
4313	Bridges		-	-	-	
4316	Street Lighting	4	1,000	991.30	1,200	
4319	Other		-	-	-	
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration	4	9,685	6,633.44	6,000	
4323	Solid Waste Collection		-	-	-	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	4	48,950	46,276.30	50,300	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up		-	-	-	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		-	-	-	

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WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration		-	-	-	
4332	Water Services		-	-	-	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other		-	-	-	
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation		-	-	-	
4353	Purchase Costs		-	-	-	
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		-	-	-	
4359	Other Electric Costs		-	-	-	
HEALTH			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration	4	2,200	1,257.61	3,180	
4414	Pest Control		-	-	-	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	4	3,482	3,482.00	3,514	
WELFARE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	4	2,000		2,000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts	4	1,300	1,300.00	1,300	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other	4	4,000	2,774.93	4,000	
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	4	4,234	3,580.26	4,904	
4550-4559	Library	4	2,000	3,274.33	1,900	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	4	500		500	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		-	-	-	
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources		-	-	-	
4619	Other Conservation	4	1,350	678.75	850	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING		-	-	-	
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		-	-	-	
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		-	-	-	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		-	-	-	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		-	-	-	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		-	-	-	

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CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	5,6,13	17,022	17,020.00		
4903	Buildings	25	3,600	3,600.00		
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.	4,14,16,23	40,912	39,800.00		
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	7,10,11,1217, 18	28,500	28,500.00		
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Fiduciary Funds					
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL			536,941	446,777	549,958	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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	Tow House CR	10			5,000	
	Truck/Sander CR	11			5,000	
	Heavy Equipment CR	12			5,000	
	Disaster Relief CR	13			5,000	
	Atwell/Orange Bridge CR	14			5,000	
	Fire/Equipment CR	15			5,000	
	Conservation Fund	20			866	
	Perambulation Non CR	21			5,000	
	Conservation Fund	22			672	
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	36,538	XXXXXXXXXX

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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	Shim N. Groton Rd	5			45,000	
	Aprons for Fletcher/Old Rumney Rds	6			1,500	
	Ford F350	7			6,956	
	Police on-call time	8			3,900	
	Town House Generator	9			15,000	
	Province Rd Repairs	16			10,000	
	NLRA	17			500	
	Radios/Repeater	24			5,304	
	Plow Truck	25			93,852	
	TH Light	26			1,000	
	Cruiser Garage	27			64,000	
	Computer	28			1,000	
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	248,012	XXXXXXXXXX

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		7,000	8,000.00	9,000
3180	Resident Taxes		-	-	-
3185	Timber Taxes		13,000	28,847.96	18,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		-	-	-
3189	Other Taxes		-	-	-
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		14,000	14,095.80	14,000
	Inventory Penalties		1,600	2,488.00	2,200
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)			-	-
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		100	35.00	100
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		89,000	87,557.08	88,000
3230	Building Permits		20	155.00	200
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		3,000	3,920.17	3,500
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		-	-	-
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		4,000	4,064.00	4,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		22,000	22,802.64	22,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		21,000	21,429.07	21,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		-	-	-
3355	Housing & Community Development		-	-	-
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		1,000	672.92	700
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		-	-	-
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		22,000	15,519.83	16,000
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		-	-	-
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		3,000	2,693.93	2,900
3409	Other Charges		1,000	610.41	800
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		-	11,581.41	-
3502	Interest on Investments		-	-	-
3503-3509	Other		-	8,735.00	25,052

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		10,000	12,410	
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")		22,955	22,955	63,494
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			55,000	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			257,905	323,573	290,946

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	536,941	549,958
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	28,500	36,538
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	61,534	248,012
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	594,375	834,508
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	323,573	290,946
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	270,802	543,562

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Form F-65 (MS-5)

(6-26-2007)

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION



ANNUAL CITY/TOWN
FINANCIAL REPORT

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TOWN OF GROTON
754-C NORTH GROTON ROAD
GROTON, NH 03241

(Please correct any error in name, address, and ZIP Code)

PLEASE
RETURN
COMPLETED
FORM TO:

State of New Hampshire
Department of Revenue Administration
Municipal Services Division
PO Box 487
Concord, NH 03302-0487
Telephone: (603) 271-3397

Part I GENERAL FUND - Revenues and expenditures for the period - Specify

January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

OR

July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2007

A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual

Account

No.

Amount

(a)

(b)

1. Revenue from taxes (Including state education)

a. Property taxes (commitment less overlay
plus Section C, line 6, column (c), page 12)

3110

T01

\$ 971,593

b. State and local taxes

assessed for School Districts

547,740

4933

c. Land use change taxes - General Fund

3120

T01

6,300

d. Land use changes taxes- Conservation Fund

3121

T01

-

e. Resident taxes

3180

T01

-

f. Timber taxes

3185

T01

24,814

g. Payments in lieu of taxes

3186

T99

-

h. Other taxes (Explain on separate schedule)- BOAT

3189

T01

-

i. Interest and penalties on delinquent taxes

3190

T01

22,877

j. Excavation Tax (@ \$.02 per cu. yd.)

3187

T99

155

k. TOTAL (Excluding line 1b)

\$ 1,025,739

2. TOTAL revenues for education purposes

(This entry should be used by the few municipalities
which have dependent school districts only)

\$ -

3. Revenue from licenses, permits, and fees

a. Business licenses and permits

3210

T99

260

b. Motor vehicle permit fees

3220

T01



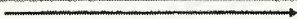



89,300

c. Building permits

3230

T99

16

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)		
A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No.	Amount
	(a)	(b)
3. Revenue from licenses, permits and fees (Continued)		
d. Other licensing and permit taxes	3290	129 3,221
e. TOTAL 		\$ 92,797
4. Revenue from the federal government		
a. Housing and urban renewal (HUD)	3311	B50 \$ -
b. Environmental protection	3312	B39 -
c. Other federal grants and reimbursements - <i>Specify</i> 		B39 -
	3319	
d. TOTAL 		\$ -
5. Revenue from the State of New Hampshire		
a. Shared revenue block grant	3351	C30 4,064
b. Meals and rooms distribution	3352	C30 21,526
c. Highway block grant	3353	C46 20,609
d. Water pollution grants	3354	C89 -
e. Housing and community development	3355	C50 -
f. State and federal forest land reimbursement	3356	C89 834
g. Flood control reimbursement	3357	C89 -
h. Other state grants and reimbursements - <i>Specify</i> Police and Other Grants  N. Groton Road Reimbursement	3359	C89 2,250 25,875
i. TOTAL 		\$ 75,158
6. Revenue from other governments		
Intergovernmental revenue - Other	3379	D89 \$ -
7. Revenue from charges for services (Exclude inter-fund transfers)		
a. Income from departments	3401	A89 \$ 3,041
b. Water supply system charges	3402	A91 -
c. Sewer user charges	3403	A80 -
d. Garbage-refuse charges	3404	A81 -
e. Electric user charges	3405	A92 -
f. Airport fees	3406	A01 -
g. Parking		A60 -
h. Transit or bus system		A94 -
i. Parks and Recreation		A61 -
j. Cemeteries		A03 -
k. Toll Highways		A45 -
j. Other charges	3409	A89 -
k. TOTAL 		\$ 3,041

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)		
A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No.	Amount
8. Revenues from miscellaneous sources	(a)	(b)
a. Special assessments	3500 U01	\$ -
b. Sale of municipal property	3501 U11	755
c. Interest on investments	3502 U20	7,498
d. Rents of property	3503 U40	175
e. Fines and forfeits	3504 U30	-
f. Insurance dividends and reimbursements	3506 U89	7,637
g. Contributions and donations	3508 U50	-
h. Other miscellaneous sources not otherwise classified	3509 U99	812
i. TOTAL →		\$ 16,877
9. Inter-fund operating transfers in		
a. Transfers from special revenue fund	3912	\$ -
b. Transfers from capital projects fund	3913	-
c. Transfers from proprietary funds	3914	-
d. Transfers from capital reserve fund	3915	2,500
e. Transfers from trust and fiduciary funds	3916	7,045
f. Transfers from conservation fund	3917	-
g. TOTAL →		\$ 9,545
10. Other financial sources		
a. Proceeds from long-term notes and general obligation bonds	3934	\$ -
b. Proceeds from all other bonds	3935	-
c. Other long-term financial sources	3939	-
d. TOTAL →		\$ -
11. TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES →		\$ 1,223,157
12. TOTAL FUND EQUITY (Beginning of year) (Should equal line B.2f, column b, page 9) →		\$ 294,463
13. TOTAL OF LINES 11 AND 12 (Should equal line 21, page 8) →		\$ 1,517,620
Remarks		

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)
B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual

	Account No. (a)	Total Expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
1. General government				
a. Executive	4130	E29 \$ 43,632	G29 \$ -	F29 \$ -
b. Election and registration	4140	E89 35,242	G89 -	F89 -
c. Financial administration	4150	E23 37,290	G23 -	F23 -
d. Revaluation of property	4152	E23 -	G23 -	F23 -
e. Legal expense	4153	E25 1,795	G25 -	F25 -
f. Personnel administration	4155	E29 40,115	G29 -	F29 -
g. Planning and zoning	4191	E29 608	G29 -	F29 -
h. General government building	4194	E31 8,759	G31 -	F31 -
i. Cemeteries	4195	E03 3,014	G03 -	F03 -
j. Insurance not otherwise allocated	4196	E03 14,878	G03 -	F03 -
k. Advertising and regional association	4197	E89 1,165	G89 -	F89 -
l. Other general government	4199	E89 3,743	G89 -	F89 -
m. TOTAL →		\$ 190,241	\$ -	\$ -
2. Public safety				
a. Police	4210	E62 \$ 73,230	G62 \$ -	F62 \$ -
b. Ambulance	4215	E32 -	G32 -	F32 -
c. Fire	4220	E24 39,650	G24 -	F24 -
d. Building inspection	4240	E66 -	G66 -	F66 -
e. Emergency management	4290	E89 789	G89 -	F89 -
f. Other public safety (including communications)	4299	E89 -	G89 -	F89 -
g. TOTAL →		\$ 113,669	\$ -	\$ -
3. Airport/Aviation Center				
a. Administration	4301	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
b. Airport Operations	4302	-	-	-
c. Other	4309	-	-	-
d. TOTAL →		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Remarks				

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)

B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)		Account No. (a)	Total Expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction d)
4. Highways and streets					
a. Administration		4311	F44 \$ 38,540	G44 \$ -	F44 \$ -
b. Highways and streets		4312	F44 29,060	G44 -	F44 -
c. Bridges		4313	F44 -	G44 -	F44 -
d. Street lighting		4316	F44 884	G44 -	F44 -
e. Toll highways		4316	F45 -	G45 -	F45 -
f. Other highway, streets, and bridges		4319	F44 5,592	G44 -	F44 -
f. TOTAL			\$ 74,076	\$ -	\$ -
5. Sanitation					
a. Administration		4321	E80 \$ -	G80 \$ -	F80 \$ -
b. Solid waste collection		4323	G81 -	G81 -	F81 -
c. Solid waste disposal		4324	E81 47,888	G81 -	F81 -
d. Solid waste clean-up		4325	E81 -	G81 -	F81 -
e. Sewage collection and disposal		4326	E80 -	G80 -	F80 -
f. Other sanitation		4329	E80 7,356	G80 -	F80 -
g. TOTAL			\$ 55,244	\$ -	\$ -
6. Water distribution and treatment					
a. Administration		4331	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
b. Water services		4332	-	-	-
c. Water treatment		4335	-	-	-
d. Water conservation		4338	-	-	-
Other Water		4339	-	-	-
f. TOTAL			E91 \$ -	G91 \$ -	F91 \$ -
7. Electric					
a. Administration		4351	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
b. Generation		4352	-	-	-
c. Purchase costs		4353	-	-	-
d. Equipment maintenance		4354	-	-	-
e. Other electric		4359	-	-	-
f. TOTAL			E92 \$ -	G92 \$ -	F92 \$ -

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)

B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)	Account No. (a)	Total Expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
8. Health				
a. Administration	4411	\$ 1,168	\$ -	\$ -
b. Pest control	4414	-	-	-
c. Health agencies and hospitals	4415	3,232	-	-
d. Vital statistics	4140	-	-	-
e. Other health	4419	-	-	-
f. TOTAL →		E32 \$ 4,400	G32 \$ -	F32 \$ -
9. TOTAL expenditures for education purposes <i>(This entry should be used by the few municipalities which have dependent school districts only)</i>		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
10. Welfare				
a. Administration	4441	E79 \$ -	G79 \$ -	F79 \$ -
b. Direct assistance	4442	E67 1,016		
c. Intergovernmental welfare payments	4444	M19		
d. Vendor payments	4445	E75 1,190		
e. Other welfare	4449	E79 850	G79 -	F79 -
f. TOTAL →		\$ 3,056	\$ -	\$ -
11. Culture and recreation				
a. Parks and recreation	4520	E61 \$ 3,226	G61 \$ -	F61 \$ -
b. Library	4550	E52 60	G52 -	F52 -
c. Patriotic purposes	4583	E61 315	G61 -	F61 -
d. Other culture and recreation	4589	E61 -	G61 -	F61 -
e. TOTAL →		\$ 3,601	\$ -	\$ -
12. Conservation				
a. Administration	4611	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
b. Purchase of natural resources	4612	-	-	-
c. Other conservation	4619	150	-	-
d. TOTAL		E59 \$ 150	G59 \$ -	F59 \$ -
13. Redevelopment and housing				
a. Administration	4631	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
b. Redevelopment and housing	4632	-	-	-
c. TOTAL →		E50 \$ -	G50 \$ -	F50 \$ -

Part I GENERAL FUND (Continued)
B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)

	Account No. (a)	Total Expenditure (b)	Equipment and land purchases (c)	Construction (d)
14. Economic development				
a. Administration	4651	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
b. Economic development	4652	-	-	-
c. Other economic development	4659	-	-	-
d. TOTAL →		L89 \$ -	G89 \$ -	F89 \$ -
15. Debt service				
a. Principal long term bonds and notes	4711	-		
b. Interest on long term bonds and notes	4721	189 -		
c. Interest on tax and revenue anticipation notes (BAN)	4723	189 -		
d. Other debt service charges	4790	023 -		
e. TOTAL →		\$ -		
16. Capital outlay (not reported above)				
a. Land and improvements	4901		G89 -	F89 47,160
b. Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	4902		G89 34,402	
c. Buildings	4903			F89 -
d. Improvements other than buildings	4909			F89 -
e. TOTAL →			\$ 34,402	\$ 47,160
17. Inter-fund operating transfers out				
a. Transfers to special revenue funds	4912	\$ 1,000		
b. Transfers to capital projects funds	4913	-		
c. Transfers to proprietary funds	4914	-		
d. Transfers to capital reserve funds	4915	13,100		
e. Transfers to expendable trust funds	4916	-		
f. Transfers to nonexpendable trust funds	4918	-		
g. TOTAL →		\$ 14,100		

Remarks

B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)

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Part III GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
Modified Accrual

A. Assets	Account No. (a)	Beginning of year (b)	End of year (c)
1. Current assets			
a. Cash and equivalents	1010	\$ 375,390	\$ 312,767
b. Investments	1030	-	-
c. Taxes receivable <i>(See worksheet, page 12)</i>	1080	131,931	172,188
d. Tax liens receivable <i>(See worksheet, page 12)</i>	1110	46,799	48,074
e. Accounts receivable	1150	-	19,500
f. Due from other governments	1260	-	5,415
g. Due from other funds	1310	-	2,500
h. Other current assets	1400	-	-
i. Tax deeded property (subject to resale)	1670	22,737	22,737
j. TOTAL ASSETS <i>(Should equal line B3)</i> →		\$ 576,857	\$ 583,181
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
1. Current liabilities			
a. Warrants and accounts payable	2020	\$ 7,793	\$ 1,096
b. Compensated absences payable	2030	-	-
c. Contracts payable	2050	-	-
d. Due to other governments	2070	-	-
e. Due to school districts	2075	268,555	239,740
f. Due to other funds	2080	-	-
g. Deferred revenue	2220	-	-
h. Notes payable - Current	2230	-	-
i. Bonds payable - Current	2250	-	-
j. Other payables	2270	6,046	4,199
k. TOTAL LIABILITIES →		\$ 282,394	\$ 245,035
2. Fund equity			
a. Reserve for encumbrances <i>(Please detail on page 10)</i>	2440	-	-
b. Reserve for continuing appropriations <i>(Detail on page 10)</i>	2450	-	-
c. Reserve for appropriations voted from surplus	2460	-	-
d. Reserve for special purposes <i>(Please detail on page 10)</i>	2490	-	-
e. Unreserved fund balance	2530	294,463	338,146
f. TOTAL FUND EQUITY →		\$ 294,463	\$ 338,146
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY <i>(Should equal line A1)</i> →		\$ 576,857	\$ 583,181


Part VI RECONCILIATIONS																						
A. RECONCILIATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY																						
	Amount																					
1. School district liability at beginning of year (Account number 2075, column b, on page 9)	\$ 268,555																					
2. ADD: School district assessment for current year	547,740																					
3. TOTAL LIABILITY WITHIN CURRENT YEAR (Sum of lines 1 and 2)	816,295																					
4. SUBTRACT: Payments made to school district	576,555																					
5. School district liability at end of year (line 3 less line 4) (Account number 2075, column c, on page 9)	\$ 239,740																					
B. RECONCILIATION OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES																						
	Amount																					
1. Short-term (TANS) debt at beginning of year	\$ -																					
2. ADD: New issues during current year	-																					
3. SUBTRACT: Issues retired during current year	-																					
4. Short-term (TANS) debt outstanding at end of year (Lines 1+2-3) (Be sure to include (TANS) in Account number 2230, column c, page 9)	\$ -																					
PLEASE REFER TO THE INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE SECTIONS C AND D.																						
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<p>* Use overlay amount for column (a) and use last year's balance of line 5, Allowance for Abatements for column b (see your form from last year).</p> <p>** The amount in column c will go into line 1 (b) for next year's worksheet.</p>																						
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* (These amounts are entered on page 9, account numbers 1080 and 1110, column c)																						

Part VII SUMMARY OF REVENUES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS

	Capital projects (a)	Special revenue (b)	Proprietary funds	
			Enterprise (c)	Internal service (d)
REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
1. Revenue from taxes	T01	\$ -	T01	
2. Revenue from licenses, permits, and fees	T29		T29	
3. Revenue from the federal government	B09		B09	
4. Revenue from the State of New Hampshire	C02		C02	
5. Revenue from other governments	D09		D09	
6. Revenue from charges for services	A01		A01	
(a) Water supply system charges	A01		A01	
(b) Sewer user charges	A02		A02	
(c) Garbage/refuse collection charges	A03		A03	
(d) Electric	A04		A04	
(e) Airport and aviation	A05		A05	
(f) Highway	A06		A06	
(g) Toll facilities	A07		A07	
(h) Parks and recreation	A08		A08	
(i) Parking	A09		A09	
(j) Transit or bus system	A10		A10	
(k) Other - Specify 	A11		A11	
7. Revenue from miscellaneous sources				
(a) Interest on investments	U01	2	U01	
(b) Other miscellaneous sources	U02	14,387	U02	
8. Inter-fund operating transfers in		1,000		
9. Other financial sources	U99		U99	
10. TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER SOURCES	\$ -	\$ 15,389	\$ -	\$ -

Part VIII SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS					
	Capital projects	Special revenue	Proprietary Funds		
	(a)	(b)	Enterprise	Internal service	
EXPENDITURES (BY FUNCTIONS)					(d)
1. General government	789	E88 \$ -	E89		
2. Public safety	789	E89	E89		
(a) Police	782	E82	E82		
(b) Ambulance		E82	E82		
(c) Fire	724	E24	E24		
3. Airport/Aviation Center	701	E01	E01		
4. Highways and streets	64	E44	E44		
5. Toll highways	645	E45	E45		
6. Sanitation	751	E51	E51		
7. Water distribution and treatment	797	E97	E97		
8. Sewerage	760	E60	E60		
9. Electric	692	E92	E92		
10. Health	712	E12	E12		
11. Welfare	779	E79	E79		
12. Culture and recreation	701	E01	E01		
13. Parking	760	E60	E60		
14. Transit or bus system	754	E54	E54		
15. Conservation	759	E59	E59		
16. Redevelopment and housing	750	E50	E50		
17. Economic development	759	E59	E59		
18. Debt service		E13	E13		
19. Capital outlay - other	780	E80	E80		
20. Inter-fund operating transfers out					
21. TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ 1,919	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Remarks					

Part IX BALANCE SHEET FOR SUMMARY OF ALL OTHER FUNDS

	Account No. (a)	Capital projects (b)	Special revenue (c)	Proprietary funds	
				Enterprise (d)	Internal service (e)
A. ASSETS					
1. Current assets					
(a) Cash and equivalents	1010		18,770		
(b) Investments	1030				
(c) Accounts receivable	1150				
(d) Due from other governments	1260				
(e) Due from other funds	1310		-		
(f) Other - Specify 7					
2. Fixed assets					
(a) Land and improvements	1610				
(b) Buildings	1620				
(c) Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	1640				
(d) Construction in progress	1650				
(e) Improvements other than buildings	1660				
(f) Other - Specify 7					
3. TOTAL ASSETS 		\$ -	\$ 18,770	\$ -	\$ -

Part IX BALANCE SHEET FOR SUMMARY OF ALL OTHER FUNDS (Continued)

	Account No. (a)	Capital projects (b)	Special revenue (c)	Proprietary funds	
				Enterprise (d)	Internal service (e)
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
1. Liabilities					
(a) Warrants and accounts payable	2020				
(b) Compensated absences payable	2030				
(c) Contracts payable	2050				
(d) Due to other governments	2070				
(e) Due to other funds	2080	-			
(f) Deferred revenue	2220				
(g) Notes and bonds payable					
(h) Other - Specify 7					
(i) TOTAL LIABILITIES →		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2. Fund equity/Capital					
(a) Reserve for encumbrances	2440				
(b) Reserve for special purposes	2490		18,770		
(c) Unreserved fund balance	2530	-			
(d) Municipal contributed capital	2610				
(e) Other contributed capital	2620				
(f) Retained earnings	2790				
(g) TOTAL FUND EQUITY →		\$ -	\$ 18,770	\$ -	\$ -
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY →		\$ -	\$ 18,770	\$ -	\$ -

Part X SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION WORKSHEET
A. INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Report payments made to the State or other local governments *on reimbursement or cost-sharing basis*. Do not include these expenditures in Part VIII.

Purpose (a)	Account No. (b)	Amount (c)
Payments made to other local governments for:		
Schools	M12	-
Sewers	M80	-
All other - County	4931	-
All other - Towns	4199	-
Payments made to State for:		
Highways	4319	-
All other purposes	4199	-

B. DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED, AND RETIRED

Long-term debt purpose (a)	Bonds outstanding at the beginning of this fiscal year (b)	Bonds during this fiscal year		Outstanding at the end of this fiscal year (e)
		Issued (c)	Retired (d)	
Industrial revenue	19T	24T	24T	44T
All other debt	19U	29U	29U	49U
Interest on water debt	19V			

C. SALARIES AND WAGES
Total wages paid

Report here the total salaries and wages paid to all employees of your city before deductions for social security, retirement, etc. Include also salaries and wages paid to employees of any utility owned and operated by your government, as well as salaries and wages of city employees charged to construction projects. These amounts may be taken from the W3 form filed by your government for the year ended December 31.

206
\$ 179,411

D. CASH AND INVESTMENTS HELD AT END OF FISCAL YEAR

Report separately for each of the two types of funds listed below, the total amount of cash on hand and on deposit and investments in Federal Government, Federal agency, State and local government, and non-governmental securities. Report all investments at market value. Exclude accounts receivable, value of real property, and all non-security assets.

Type of fund (a)	Amount at end of fiscal year Omit cents (b)
Bond funds - Unexpended proceeds from sale of bond issues held pending disbursement	W31 \$ -
All other funds except employee retirement funds and nonexpendable trust funds.	W61 \$ 468,938

Part XI CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Signatures of a majority of the governing body:

<i>Michael Bragne</i>	<i>5-20-08</i>
<i>Michelle Clark</i>	<i>5-20-08</i>
<i>Richard Clements</i>	<i>5/20/08</i>

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Three copies of this report are sent to each municipality. Selectmen, treasurer and tax collector are expected to cooperate in making out this report. When completed, one copy should be returned to the Department of Revenue Administration and one copy should be placed in your municipal records. The third copy is for use in preparing the annual printed report for the voters.

Please be sure you have completed Part X, Items A-D.

WHEN TO FILE: (RSA 21-J:34, V)

- * For cities/towns reporting on a calendar year basis, this report must be filed on or before April 1.
- * For cities/towns reporting on an optional fiscal year basis (year ending June 30), this report must be filed on or before September 1.

WHERE TO FILE

Department of Revenue Administration
State of New Hampshire
Municipal Services Division
PO Box 487
Concord, NH 03302-0487

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division
2008 Tax Rate Calculation**

TOWN/CITY: GROTON

Gross Appropriations	626,975
Less: Revenues	307,293
Less: Shared Revenues	2,081
Add: Overlay	10,027
War Service Credits	22,000

Net Town Appropriation	349,628
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	349,628	TOWN RATE: 4.49
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SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. Revenue)	0
Regional School Apportionment	876,305
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(318,677)

State Education Taxes	(144,525)	LOCAL
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	413,103	SCHOOL RATE 5.31

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x 2.14		STATE
67,535,022	144,525	SCHOOL RATE
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		2.21
65,392,759		
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State		
Pay to State	0	

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	98,454	
Less: Shared Revenues	(413)	
Approved County Tax Effort	98,041	COUNTY RATE 1.26

**TOTAL RATE
13.27**

	Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	65,392,759	2.21	144,525
All Other Taxes	77,828,159	11.06	860,772
			1,005,297

GROTON TAX TOTALS

Tax Warrant:	2008P02 of 2
Number of Parcels:	731

VALUATIONS:

Non-Utility Land Value:	\$40,280,700
Current Use Credits:	(\$9,350,641)
Non-Utility Improvements Value:	\$36,568,800
Utility Value:	\$12,435,400
Exempt Property Value:	<u>(\$2,214,800)</u>
Valuation Before Exemptions:	\$77,719,459
Exemptions Applied:	<u>(\$40,000)</u>
Net Valuation:	\$77,679,459
Net Non-Utility Valuation	\$65,244,059
Net Utility Valuation	\$12,435,400

TAXES

Total Property Tax:	\$1,006,240
Veteran's Credit Applied	<u>(\$22,000)</u>
Total Tax:	\$981,311
Penalties	\$2,929
First Bills Minus Abatements:	(\$497,253)
First Bills Exceeding Total Tax Needing Refund:	(\$1,669)
Adjusted First Bills:	<u>(\$495,584)</u>
Total Tax Bills:	\$488,656

Tax Collector's Report

For the Municipality of

GROTON/ TAX COLLECTOR

Year Ending 12/31/2008

DEBITS

	UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT THE	LEVY FOR YEAR	PRIOR LEVIES			
	BEGINNING OF THE YEAR*	2008	2007	2006	2005+	
Property Taxes	#3110	XXXXXX		\$ 161,919.23	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	XXXXXX		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	XXXXXX		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	XXXXXX		\$ 10,113.62	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	XXXXXX		\$ 155.31	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	XXXXXX		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		XXXXXX				
				\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Prior Years' Credits Balance**		(\$ 277.33)				
This Year's New Credits		(\$ 487.79)				

TAXES COMMITTED THIS FISCAL YEAR

			FOR DRA USE ONLY
Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 985,909.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 21,506.46	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$ 93.12	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS

Property Taxes	#3110				
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187				
Credits Refunded		\$ 0.00			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$ 928.51	\$ 12,543.41	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 1,015,671.97	\$ 184,731.57	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

**Enter as a negative. This is the amount of this year's taxes pre-paid last year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a.

**The amount is already included in the warrant and therefore in line #3110 as a positive amount for this year's levy.

Tax Collector's Report

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	LEVY FOR YEAR		PRIOR LEVIES		
	2008	2007	2006	2005+	
Property Taxes	\$ 837,703.77		\$ 116,826.20	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 8,000.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 19,060.12		\$ 9,244.96	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Penalties	\$ 928.51		\$ 12,543.41	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Converted To Liens (Principal only)	\$ 0.00		\$ 45,259.97	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Discounts Allowed	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned					
	(\$ 277.33)				

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	\$ 0.00		\$ 402.69	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes					
	\$ 2,446.34		\$ 454.34	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

UNCOLLECTED TAXES -- END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	\$ 148,205.23		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes					
	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 93.12		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance*	(\$ 487.79)	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 1,015,671.97		\$ 184,731.57	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*Enter as a negative. This is the amount of taxes pre-paid for next year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a.
(Be sure to indicate a positive amount in the Property Taxes actually remitted to the treasurer.)

Tax Collector's Report

DEBITS

UNREDEEMED & EXECUTED		PRIOR LEVIES			
LIENS	2008	2007	2006	2005+	
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY			\$ 0.00	\$ 29,634.16	\$ 18,431.06
Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00		\$ 51,151.63	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY			\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Costs Collected	\$ 0.00		\$ 321.96	\$ 2,634.32	\$ 5,779.15
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$ 0.00		\$ 51,473.59	\$ 32,268.48	\$ 24,210.21

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		PRIOR LEVIES			
		2008	2007	2006	2005+
Redemptions		\$ 0.00		\$ 10,605.74	\$ 13,390.78
Interest & Costs Collected	#3190	\$ 0.00		\$ 321.96	\$ 2,634.32
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 665.81
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	#1110	\$ 0.00		\$ 40,545.89	\$ 15,577.57
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY		\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS		\$ 0.00		\$ 51,473.59	\$ 32,268.48

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? _____

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE

DATE

Joyce Ann Tolman

Town Clerk's Report

JANUARY 1, 2008 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$85,993.08
Title Fees	136.00
Municipal Agent Fees	1,730.00
Bad Check Fees	155.00
Candidate Fees	13.00
Copy Fees – Selectmen	533.53
Copy Fees – Town Clerk	16.88
Dog Licenses	680.00
Driveway Permits	60.00
Junk Yard Permits	35.00
Parking Violations	25.00
Pistol Permits	10.00
Refunds: Water Cooler	344.20
Reimbursement: Retirement	531.56
Subdivision Fees	556.97
Transfer Station	1,394.60
Zoning Board Fees	200.00
Uniform Commercial Code Fees	60.00
Total	\$92,509.82

Treasurer's Report

January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

Checking Account:

Beginning Balance (January 1, 2008)	\$ 256,645.79
Total Deposits Made	\$ 1,062,909.20
Total Orders Paid	\$ (1,186,563.97)
Total Bank Interest	\$ 37.72

Deposits:

Tax Collector	\$ 1,066,741.66
Town Clerk	\$ 94,095.32
Treasurer:	
- North Groton RD Reimbursement	\$ 14,377.53
- Avitar Refund	\$ 19,500.00
- Highway Block Grants	\$ 21,429.07
- Property Tax Refund	\$ 733.55
- Forest Land Reimbursement	\$ 672.92
- Damaged Sander Refund	\$ 609.48
- Redeem Taxes	\$ 11,581.41
- Workers Comp	\$ 2,791.53
- 2007 Sander	\$ 2,500.00
- 2007 Police Cruiser	\$ 10,000.00
- OHRV Police	\$ 1,620.00
- Capital Reserve	\$ 5,664.78
- Revenue Sharing	\$ 4,064.00
- Library Reimbursement	\$ 1,274.33
- July/Aug Flood	\$ 3,724.68
Total Treasurer Deposits	\$ 100,543.28

Adjustments:

- Training	\$ 85.57
- Deluxe Checks	\$ (413.47)
- Return Checks	\$ (830.00)
- Errors	\$ 5,985.88
- Voided Checks	\$ 330.78
- PDIP Transfers	\$ (175,167.54)
Capital Reserve Transfer	\$ (28,500.00)
Total Adjustments	\$ (198,508.78)

Ending Balance as December 31, 2008	\$ 132,991.02
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On Hand In Meredith Village Savings Bank

Public Deposit Investment Pool:

Beginning Balance (January 1, 2008)	\$ 41,175.96
Total Contributions	\$ 610,000.00
Total Disbursements	\$ (425,000.00)
Interest Earned	\$ 4,387.84

Ending Balance As Of December 31, 2008	\$ 230,563.80
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Old Home Day Fund

Opened Account May 27, 2008

Checking Account	\$	500.00
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Deposits:

	\$	135.66
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Total:	\$	635.66
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Expenses:

Deluxe Checks	\$	(16.90)
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Total:	\$	(16.90)
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Ending Balance As Of December 31, 2008	\$	618.76
On Hand In Meredith Village Savings Bank		

Groton Conservation Fund

Opened Account May 27, 2008

Checking Account	\$	412.00
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Deposits:

	\$	544.66
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	\$	240.00
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Total:	\$	1,196.66
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Expenses:

Deluxe Checks	\$	(16.90)
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Supplies	\$	(149.73)
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Total:	\$	(166.63)
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Ending Balance As Of December 31, 2008	\$	1,030.03
On Hand In Meredith Village Savings Bank		

Town of Groton Report of the Trust Funds (MS-9)

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	%	Principal		Income			Balance End of Year	Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year
			Balance Beginning of Year	Contributions	Withdrawals	Balance Beginning of Year	Income Earned		
6/95	Cemetery Fund:								
	N. Groton Cemetery	30.3	\$231.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$497.19	\$17.94	\$0.00	\$515.13
	Tercentennial 2076	23.5	\$180.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$385.61	\$13.91	\$0.00	\$399.53
	Cyrus Blood Lot	10.5	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$172.30	\$6.22	\$0.00	\$178.51
	Gearage Hall	13.1	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$215.33	\$7.76	\$0.00	\$223.08
	DiMichelle Lot	6.3	\$48.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$103.38	\$3.73	\$0.00	\$107.11
	Gilchrist Lot	6.5	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$106.64	\$3.85	\$0.00	\$110.49
	A. Campbell Lot	3.3	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$54.08	\$1.95	\$0.00	\$56.03
	DiMichelle Lot	3.3	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$54.08	\$1.95	\$0.00	\$56.03
	R. Bourque Lot	3.3	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$54.08	\$1.95	\$0.00	\$56.03
6/95	Truck Sander Fund		\$8,676.19	\$5,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,300.77	\$362.54	\$0.00	\$5,663.31
6/95	Dumpsite Fund		\$1,382.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,527.97	\$145.28	\$0.00	\$4,673.25
6/95	Groton Rec. Fund		\$5,124.50	\$8,000.00	\$13,086.78	\$2,767.18	\$215.40	\$0.00	\$2,982.58
6/95	Roof Fund		\$13.81	\$0.00	\$13.81	\$2,067.47	\$27.24	\$2,094.71	\$0.00
12/95	Police Cruiser Fund		\$8,155.17	\$0.00	\$8,155.17	\$2,672.42	\$185.90	\$1,844.83	\$1,013.49
12/95	Bicentennial Fund		\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$98.02	\$3.92	\$101.94	\$0.00
12/95	Townhouse Fund		\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$470.34	\$30.93	\$0.00	\$501.27
12/04	Disaster Fund		\$24,400.29	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,622.61	\$703.42	\$0.00	\$3,326.03
3/05	Fire Station & Equip. Fund		\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,330.02	\$1,089.80	\$0.00	\$5,419.82
3/06	Heavy Equip. Fund		\$13,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$956.44	\$366.53	\$0.00	\$1,322.97
3/06	Atwell/Orange Br Fund		\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$533.71	\$298.13	\$0.00	\$831.84
3/06	Conservation Fund		\$100.00		\$0.00	\$1.17	\$2.83	\$0.00	\$4.00
									\$104.00

Trustees: Jackie Brogna, Gordon Coursey, Kathy Estabrook

**Minutes of the Town Meeting
Groton, New Hampshire
Town Meeting
March 11, 2008**

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

Attendees were:

Board of Selectmen: Michael Brogna, David Leone, and Richard O'Connor

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Joyce Tolman

Town Moderator: Miles Sinclair

Administrative Assistant: Pamela Hamel

Ballot Clerks: Judy Demers, Bonnie Lane, Helen Santoro

Supervisors of the Checklist: Shirley Leone, Rachelle Hamel, Pamela Yinger

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred thirty-six thousand, nine hundred forty-one dollars (\$536,941), which represents the Operating Budget for the ensuing year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 2 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 3: To see if the town will authorize the planning board to review and approve or disapprove site plans for the development or change or expansion of use of tracts for nonresidential uses or for multi-family dwelling units, which are defined as structures containing more than 2 dwelling units, whether or not such development includes a subdivision or resubdivision of the site.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 3 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) for the preparation and shimming of North Groton Road.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 4 was PASSED as written

A motion was made to move ARTICLE 30 before ARTICLE 5.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to change the Groton Police Department from a full time department to a part time department. (Petitioned Article)

(The Board of Selectmen Do Not Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 30 was DEFEATED

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a 3 year lease agreement for \$28,000 for the purpose of leasing a 2008 Ford Expedition for the Police Department to be offset by \$2,800 from the trade in value of the 2002 Ford Explorer and \$10,000 to be withdrawn from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand, sixty-seven dollars (\$5,067) for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease contains an escape clause. (Majority vote required)

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article 2-1)

ARTICLE 5 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 6: To See if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand, nine hundred fifty-five dollars (\$6,955.00) for the third year's lease payment toward the purchase of the 2006 Ford F350 Cab/Chassis for the highway department and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$6,955.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2007. This lease contains an escape clause.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 6 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 7: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) to be put into the Groton Recreation Capital Reserve Fund. This money will allow for the completion of existing projects at the Everett Hobart Memorial Park.

(The Board of Selectmen Do Not Recommend This Article 2-1)

ARTICLE 7: An amendment was made to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) to be put into the Groton Recreation Capital Reserve Fund. This money will allow for the completion of existing projects at the Everett Hobart Memorial Park.

ARTICLE 7 PASSED as AMENDED

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousands dollars (\$15,000.00) for the purchase and installation of an on demand generator for the Town House/Emergency Shelter, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$15,000.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2007.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 8 was DEFEATED

ARTICLE 9: To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Roof Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 9 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand, five hundred dollars (\$2500.00) for deposit into the Town House Capital Reserve Fund and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$2,500.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2007.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 10 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for deposit into the Truck/Sander Capital Reserve Fund and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$5,000.00 from

the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2007.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 11 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for deposit in to the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$3,000.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2007.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 12 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) for the purchase of a commercial Riding Mower in order to maintain town properties.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 13 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purpose of repairing Province Road.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 14 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Bicentennial Capital Reserve Fund created in 1995. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 15 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Old Home Day Expendable Trust Fund, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of Old Home Day activities and to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for this fund and

to furthermore, appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from this fund, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$500.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2007. (Majority vote required)

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 16 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for deposit in to the Disaster Relief Capital Reserve Fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 17 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for deposit in to the Atwell/Orange Brook Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$5,000.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2007

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 18 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to dispose of the town owned building located on Map#5 Lot#62 63 North Groton Road and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$10,000.00 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2007.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 19 was DEFEATED

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish or amend fees as provided in RSA 41:9-a. Such a vote shall continue in effect until rescinded.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 20 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to amend the building permit fee established by Town Meeting in 1975.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 21 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to authorize 3% of the Land Use Change Tax collected pursuant to RSA 79-A:25 to be deposited into the existing Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5, III, as authorized by RSA 79-A:25,II. If adopted this article shall take effect April 1, 2008, and shall remain in effect until altered or rescinded by a future vote of the town meeting. (Majority vote required).

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 22 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred twelve dollars (\$412) for deposit in the Conservation Fund and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$412 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2007. This sum represents 3% of the Timber Tax revenue for 2007.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 23 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) for deposit into the Fire & Emergency Capital Reserve Fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 24 was DEFEATED

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3600.00) for the purchase of fire proof file cabinets for the Police Dept.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 25 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand, four hundred dollars (\$1,400.00) for the purchase of a Dell computer system to be used in the normal operation of the Police Department. System consists of a keyboard, monitor, hard drive, and all hardware needed for set up and operation.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 26 was DEFEATED

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to be placed in the Conservation Fund for future projects.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article 2-1)

ARTICLE 27 was DEFEATED

ARTICLE 28: To see if the town will vote to establish a Disaster Relief Non-Capital Reserve Fund under the provision of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of unexpected disaster relief and to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to be placed in this fund, and to appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 28 was DEFEATED

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to have the town owned property listed on Map 5, Lot 62, Sub 1, the pond area, changed into conservation land and to further have it entrusted to the Conservation Commission.

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 29 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 31: To see if the town will vote to amend the optional exemption for the blind as prescribed in RSA 72:37 from \$15,000 to \$30,000. (Petitioned Article)

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 31 was PASSED as written

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representative, our State Senator and our Governor:

Resolved: We the citizens of Groton, NH believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the "Pledge", have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes.

(Petitioned Article)

(The Board of Selectmen Recommend This Article)

ARTICLE 32 was DEFEATED 23 NO 19 YES

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ARTICLE 33 was PASSED as written

There was a motion made and seconded to adjourn the March 11th, 2008 Town Meeting, motion was PASSED and meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

A TRUE ATTEST OF WARRANT AND TOWN MEETING

Joyce A. Tolman

Public Library

January 1, 2008-December 31, 2008

Beginning Balance January 1, 2008

Checking Account	\$ 1,476.17
Deposits:	
Flood Reimbursement	\$13,397.99
Total	\$14,874.16
Expenses:	
Librarian Wages	\$ 1,274.33
Trustee Dues	\$ 60.00
Window	\$ 117.00
Phone Bills	\$ 437.80
Books/Magazines	\$ 439.25
Total Expenses	\$ 2,328.38
Ending Balance as of December 31, 2008	\$12,545.78

The Groton Library Trustees and our Librarian Pam Yinger, would like to thank all of the dedicated volunteers who have helped us in 2008. With their help we were able to have wonderful Halloween and Christmas parties for the children.

Respectfully Submitted,
Library Trustees, Jacqueline Brogna, Anne Tobine and Joyce Tolman.

Fire Department Report

GROTON FIRE CHIEF REPORT 2008

I would like to express my thanks to the residents of Groton for their good fire safety practices in 2008, and encourage all to continue. Below is a breakdown of activity for 2008. I might also add that it is lower in total than 2007.

2008 EMERGENCY SERVICES

Type	Number
Medical Emergencies	38
Chimney Fires	2
Investigations	3
Good Intent Calls	2
Hazardous Conditions	1
Total Calls	46

As a note to all homeowners and/or renters, the State of NH requires that all oil fired and LP gas fired heating systems be inspected by the Fire Chief and receive a permit to operate. The LP gas requirement is new but the oil fired one has been in effect for many years. This also includes any updates such as new furnace or tank for the product. If you any questions you can contact me at 603-786-2138 between 8am & 5pm. Please leave a message and a number you can be reached at and I will return you call. Thank you.

LP Gas (Amelia's Law) RSA 153:16 b, c
Oil Fire RSA 153:5 and NFPA #31

Outside burning permits are required by law when the ground is not covered with snow. You can obtain permits from the following:

Roger Thompson, Warden	786-2138	72 River Rd
Norm Willey, D Warden	744-5928	777 N Groton Rd
Joe Pivrotto, D Warden	786-2381	99 River Rd
Bill Oakley, D Warden	744-9325	22 Crosby Lane
Michael Lemieux, D Warden	744-6159	363 Sculpt. Rocks Rd
Debra Thompson, Agent	786-2138	72 River Rd
Patti Oakley, Agent	744-3094	22 Crosby Lane

Thank you and have a fire safe year.

Respectfully submitted,
Roger L Thompson
Fire Chief
Fire Warden

Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wild land fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

Spring fire season lasted unusually long this past year, with very high fire danger stretching into the first week of June. The acreage burned was less than that of 2007. The largest forest fire during the 2008 season burned approximately 54 acres on Rattlesnake Mountain in Rumney on White Mountain National Forest property. Another 39 acre fire occurred on Mount Major in Alton during the month of April. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2008 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest rangers by being fire wise and fire safe.

Police Department

The Board of Selectmen was busy in 2008 trying to find a full-time Chief of Police. After multiple hiring cycles they were unable to find the right applicant for the job. Hopefully this item is resolved in the early stages of 2009. In the mean time, all the part-time officers have been doing their best to provide the coverage that the residents of Groton deserve. Chief White agreed to stay on the job until his replacement was hired.

The Groton Police Department logged 471 calls for service through Grafton County Dispatch. We expect this number to go up when the full time position is filled by self initiated activity.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Bill Gabler for his years of service to the town. Bill was a member of the Hebron Fire Department and a Part-time Officer with the Groton Police Department. Bill started employment with Clean Power Development, LLC which is a New Hampshire company that focuses on the development of renewable and sustainable wood-fueled biomass-energy facilities. He started his new employment in 2008 and has since moved down to Loudon to be closer to work. Bill will certainly be missed by the department and we wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

We would also like to thank Bill Jolly for his years of service. Bill resigned from the Groton Police after an off the job injury this fall. We wish him a speedy recovery. The Police Department saw the addition of a new Part-time Officer. "E.J." Ernest Thompson joined the department in the end of the 2008 summer. He has been a full-time police officer for over 10 years and is currently employed as the Chief of the Bridgewater Police Department. E.J. has a wealth of knowledge and experience that will surely be a valuable asset to the department.

The police department put its new cruiser into use in 2008. The 2008 Expedition was a needed upgrade from the past cruiser. The officers on the department appreciate this more dependable vehicle.

The police department would like to remind you that in case of any emergency please dial 911. If you have a nonemergency call, call the office at 744-3703. If there isn't an officer in at the time, the call will be forwarded to our dispatch center

and an officer will get back to you. We would also like to ask our residents to help us when they can. If you see a violation of law or suspicious activity, please call or notify us with as much description of the incident and suspect as possible. With your help as our eyes and ears, we can all make the community safer.

We would also encourage anyone who wants to know a little more about what we do, to call the office and schedule a ride along.

The Groton Police would like to wish everyone a safe 2009. We would also like to thank the residents of Groton for the support they have given the department.

During 2008 the Grafton County Sheriff's Department Dispatch Center received 459 calls for service in the Town of Groton. Of those calls 377 were handled by the Groton Police. The remaining 82 calls were referred to other agencies including, NH State Police, NH Fish and Game and NH Department of Transportation.

Action Taken by Groton PD included the following:

Arrests	7
Summons	4

The types of calls are as follows:

Assault	3
Sexual Assault	3
Domestic Disturbance	5
Domestic Related	15
Burglary	4
Theft	14
Trespass	5
Vandalism	6
Alarm/911 Responses	22
Gunshots Investigated	2
Animal Complaints	24
Suspicious Persons	3
Missing Person	1
Welfare Check	7
Mental Health related	2
Medical Emergency	16

Traffic Accident	8
Motor vehicle related	41
Road Hazards	9
All others	269

There were 26 Pistol Permits Issued.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chief William White
Sergeant Joseph Pivrotto
Officer Travis Austin
Officer E.J. Thompson
Skip Reilly (firearms instructor)

Health Officer

The Health Officer and the town's Health regulations are established for the public benefit. They address the public health of the citizens of the Town of Groton, to reduce environmental threats, and to enable the removal of nuisances. We have regulations which in the judgment of the Health Officer and Selectmen of the Town of Groton are required to assure the health and safety of the people. It is understood that such regulations are adopted to protect the public and their health and environmental resources as a public value and benefit.

In 2008 there were a wide variety of issues that were dealt with. The majority of all issues have been resolved very favorably for all concerned without any formal actions. Unfortunately, when corrective action is not undertaken in a reasonable time the town has the responsibility to proceed to Court and to the Dept. of Environmental services (DES) for legal resolution. The Health Officer has represented the Town in all court matters avoiding all legal fees for the town. This year had a strong focus on logging operations to monitor environmental damage.

The role of Health Officer is changing in New Hampshire. With health threats such as SARS, Avian Pandemic, EEE, West Nile and Bioterrorist issues there is an increased need for training and planning. We are fortunate in Groton that we are highly isolated from the most at-risk population centers. Keeping our citizens informed and educated so they can take appropriate actions if needed is a Groton priority. The Health Officer has taken several courses this year to assure that we as a community are involved in statewide planning and able to respond appropriately if ever needed.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the residents of Groton for being understanding and supportive in recognizing the importance of environmental health and safety. Everyone has been pleasant to work with, even when the issues have been difficult. It is a great reflection on the community.

Chuck Stata
Groton Health Officer

Highway Department

Let me begin by saying thank you for allowing me to be of service to the Town in the Highway Department. This past year has been a prime example of active weather patterns around the state, and Groton has had its share including more snow than has been seen in years, lots of heavy rains and wind also. Fortunately we were able to seek and receive reimbursement from FEMA for all of the expenses incurred for fixing roads damaged by the rains.

The shimming of North Groton Road went well but the area paved was not as long as last year because of the rise in Asphalt pavement prices caused by rising oil prices.

Unfortunately, we encountered tremendous unplanned expenses for repairs to equipment, mainly the International dump truck, along with ridiculous increases in fuels costs and road salt.

This year we were able to take advantage of mutual aid by making arrangements with Bristol to use their grader. No charges were incurred. Instead we will supply Bristol with a piece of our equipment (when needed) to repay the hours their grader was used. I anticipate this practice will continue. Many thanks to Road Agent Mark Bucklin and the Bristol Board of Selectmen.

I would like to thank my assistants Kevin Wilbur and Ron Madan for their service, cooperation and dedication. You guys help make it happen, no matter what, no matter when! I would also like to thank Selectman Mike Brogna for his help plowing last winter. When we were in a bind, he came through by using his pick-up and snowplow to help. He did this free of charge, not even gas money. At the time, I was without an assistant and crippled with broken down equipment.

I have asked again for funds to continue Province Road repairs and maintenance, shimming for North Groton Road, and money for gravel to do designated sections of unpaved roads.

Thank you again from all of us at the Highway Department.

Road Agent
Glen Hansen
Assistants
Kevin Wilbur
Ron Madan

Transfer Station

RECYCLE, RECYCLE, RECYCLE!

I can't stress this simple act enough. When we don't recycle, we fill the trash compactor quickly and require more frequent changes and that costs money. Big money! Due to rising costs for disposal, increasing fuel and haul fees, operating our transfer station continues to cost more. When you separate your disposables, less volume is taken up in the compactor thus going longer in between changes. And we are actually paid for our recyclables: paper, cardboard, plastics, metal, cans, glass and aluminum. Even though it is a small amount that we receive it helps to offset the trash disposal and hauling fees. For those that do recycle, thank you. I urge anyone that doesn't to "pitch in" and do your part. It is for your benefit and the benefit of our community.

The Transfer Station has undergone some personnel changes this past year. After 10 years of service, Albert Conkey retired. We would like to thank you for your service to our community! We hired Chris Faucher as our regular weekend attendant, and Ken Gould and Tammy Golubski as alternates when needed. We welcome each and thank them for their help.

Pat Coursey of Central Metals in West Rumney has been supplying a scrap metal container free of charge, even with the nose dive that scrap metal prices took several months ago. Thanks Pat!

In closing, I would like to investigate the possibility of obtaining a baling machine to be used at the Transfer Station. We would then be able to condense recycled paper and cardboard and possibly plastics, eliminating the need for the open dumpsters we now have.

Thanks again for helping us make your Transfer Station work for you.

Glen Hansen, Transfer Station Supervisor
Jerry Berry
Chris Faucher
Ken Gould
Tammy Golubski

Northeast Resource Recovery

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling cooperative, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2008	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Paper	31.22 tons	Saved 517 trees!
Comingle (plastic/glass)	15.49 tons	

The Town of Groton recycled a total of 46.71 tons of material valued at \$1,334.55. The Town also saved a total of \$2,839.03 that would have been paid for disposal.

Historical Society

GHS began its official life in 1989. In 1995 it acquired the Schoolhouse #4 on the corner of Halls Brook Rd. and North Groton Rd. That one-room schoolhouse was built in 1840. So was the North Groton Union Meeting House on Old Rumney Road. Sadly, the church was lost in the heavy snows of 1969. Its bell was taken to the Longyear Museum in Boston for preservation.

The bell had been cast by Henry N. Hooper of Boston in 1858. Hooper's foundry was once owned by Joseph Revere, son of Paul Revere. In 1998 the bell was given to the Groton Historical Society by the Longyear Museum and stored by the Lindseys until GHS accomplished its goals of restoring the Schoolhouse, developing its Museum which opened in 2006 and creating a suitable parking area for its patrons.

It was with great pride that in April of 2008 this historic bell was set on a beautiful stone platform built on the ledges to the left of the Schoolhouse and housed in an attractive, protective shelter designed and built by Steve Lindsey, the Building Manager of GHS.

The stonework was crafted by stone mason Jim Anderson who did similar work for the Plymouth Polar Caves. The stones came from the Palermo Mine. They were donated by Bob Whitmore, owner of the Palermo Mine and President of GHS.

From 1995 until 2008 GHS has accomplished its many goals with sweat equity, 2 grants, and generous donations from its many members that number about 140 people. Over 100 of them have become life members. Members receive quarterly newsletters. This year it was a joy to write the history of the Union Meeting House and of its bell in our summer issue, and to write of the history of Groton's Old Home Days in our fall issue.

Groton held its first Old Home Day in 1926. A chicken dinner was served in its Grange Hall, home of Grange #270. The town held their OHD program in the Union Meeting House. The Grange Hall was on the left of North Groton Rd. just before crossing the bridge over Halls Brook into the village of North Groton where the J.W. Burley Store was across from the schoolhouse. The Grange Hall imploded ca 1965. Recent OHDs have been held in the Groton Town House that was restored and re-opened in Sept. 2004. The Town House Committee had many members of GHS as active participants.

This year GHS held a spaghetti supper on Feb. 23 and raffled off a cord of wood. On OHD, August 16th, GHS hosted its second ham and bean supper at the Town House followed by our raffles. It also had a Christmas Tea on Dec. 20th, but the weather did not cooperate. Our Christmas candle lighting in the old one-room schoolhouse windows must have brought good cheer to all driving by the 168 year old building that has meant so much to so many over so very many years. We thank the members of this community and their families for helping us gather Groton's history for its historical museum.

Respectfully Submitted,
The Groton Historical Society

Planning Board

2008 ended with an interesting request from the town's attorney. . . . more on that in a minute!

There were four subdivisions that came under scrutiny and eventually were approved.

Board members traveled to helpful workshops and a few meetings of the Newfound Watershed Study group. As the second largest (area) town in the watershed, some steps are going to be asked of Groton to prevent pollution from entering Newfound Lake. The state has imposed the requirement for a state permit for construction within 250' of shorelines, as part of NH's new Shoreline Protection Act.

The Planning Board formulated and passed Site Plan Review Regulations that were authorized at Town Meeting in March 2008.

Copies of the minutes of all hearings and monthly meetings are available on the town website and at the town offices.

Getting back to the town attorney's request. Even though the zoning ordinance passed by ballot vote a couple of years ago, the ordinance was not properly placed on the warrant. As a result, a ratification ballot vote must take place March 10, 2009. All the hearings have taken place and everything is in order for the Warrant Ballot vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve "Slim" Spafford, Chairman
Steve Lindsey
Russ Carruth
Celine Richer
Kyle Andrews
Deborah Johnson
Miles Sinclair, Selectboard liaison

Recreational Committee

The G.R.C. would like to start this off by saying a big thank you to all of our hard-working volunteers and committee members. We'd also like to thank our fellow citizens of Groton who have shown their support in one way or another over this past year. We would like to also thank the many local businesses in the area who have donated items for our many fund raising events. Without everyone working together the many things that we do would not be possible.

In early spring of 2008 the G.R.C. set about making plans for the upcoming year. It was decided that we would focus on making the playground and park more comfortable for everyone who used it young and old alike. We decided that we needed a handicap accessible walkway to the playground, and we would put more sand down to make it a little safer in the playground area, and our biggest project would be to build a pavilion for shade and protection from rain.

We decided our first project to tackle should be the pavilion. Gordon Coursey and Son LLC got the bid to do the job and in the blink of an eye we had our pavilion. We would like to thank them for the wonderful job they did. Once the pavilion was finished we decided that it should be dedicated in memory of Eben Beever. Eben was a well loved community member and true craftsman who was always willing to lend a hand. We had our dedication ceremony on the same day as Old Home Day. We would like to thank Lou and Marina Chase for the beautiful wooden sign they made. The committee also decided to have a plaque made and installed on the pavilion so that Eben's memory will live on for all of those who knew him.

Throughout the year along with making plans for the park our committee was very busy holding many fund raisers and with the help of our volunteers and community members we had a great year. We held our 4th annual craft fair at the Newfound Memorial Middle School in Bristol. With the extra room we had a record amount of crafters and a good time was had by all who came.

We would like to welcome our newest member of the committee Allison Bagley who joined us this fall. In closing we look forward to the many projects and fund-raisers we will be working on for 2009. Also a special thank you once again to all of our volunteers who help us. Like our motto says "Volunteering is good for the heart". Thank You,

The Groton Recreation Committee

Joyce Tolman, Pam Yinger, Annie Tobine, Bonnie Lane, Vickie Kimball, Allison Bagley, and Mike Broгна.

Newfound Lake Region Association

The Newfound Lake Region Association is dedicated to supporting environmental stewardship – being the “water watch dog” that protects the high-quality land and water resources that underpin our quality of life and the economic vitality of the region. During 2008 the NLRA continued to provide valuable services to towns in the 63,000-acre Newfound River watershed including: planning and educational workshops; presentations to town boards; participation in local fairs and events; and building collaborative relationships with towns, schools, State and regional environmental agencies, local businesses, and other environmental and educational nonprofit organizations.

“Every Acre Counts: The Newfound Watershed Master Plan” is well underway, with reports on stream quality, an assessment of local master plans and regulations, a demographic analysis and the results of the nine-town community survey completed and available on our Web site:

<http://www.newfoundlake.org/watershedmasterplan/presentations.html>

When completed in 2009, the final Watershed Master Plan will provide science-based results for local land use planning and policy to protect water quality. We welcome your ideas and participation in this once-in-a-lifetime planning process!

Roughly 68% of the 63,000 acres in the watershed are available for development (excludes water bodies, wetlands, streams, slopes over 25%), with only 12% protected as public lands through permanent easements. Under existing town ordinances, most of the buildable land can be divided into five-acre lots or smaller, creating a “postage stamp” development pattern. This pattern contradicts the community vision of large, undeveloped forests and fields outlined in Groton’s Master Plan. The NLRA is taking a coordination role in conservation, building on a groundswell of interest to protect our unique land and water resources and wild life habitat. Our approach is to help achieve stated community visions by working in partnership with land holders and conservation organizations, such as the Lakes Region Conservation Trust, Society for Protection of NH Forests and local Conservation Commissions.

Storm water erosion and runoff were big topics in 2008 – the multiple, intense storms we experienced moved a lot of dirt from our roads and yards and dumped it into our wetlands, rivers and lakes. Storm water is the biggest and most immediate threat to land and water quality, especially with the increasing rainfall frequency and intensity

seen over the past few years. When it rains this hard, “what’s not nailed down, comes down”! The NLRA is working to develop and distribute useful and concise informational materials that can be used as “how-to” guides to help towns, businesses and homeowners reduce storm water impacts.

In 2009 we intend to work at the state and local level to improve public access for swimming in Newfound Lake for the residents of the watershed towns. Bristol and Hebron are fortunate to have public beaches, while Alexandria (with 36% of watershed land) has only limited access through Wellington State Park, and Groton and Bridgewater (combined 24% of watershed land) have none. We hope that by making the Lake more accessible to watershed residents who are on the front-lines of protecting it, we will all have a clearer stake in caring for this remarkable resource.

The NLRA has partnered with Groton in a number of ways:

- Watershed Master Planning Steering Committee Meetings
- Researched forestry practices and local control for Selectboard
- Attended public listening sessions
- Follow-up and water testing on Cockermouth River sedimentation concerns
- Newfound Tracking Team reconnaissance in the Cockermouth Forest.

The NLRA extends its sincerest gratitude to the following members and volunteers from Groton for participating in our various programs and events:

Weed Watchers: Cindy Williams, Margaret DeCotis, Judy Grimes

Watershed Master Plan Steering Committee: Slim Spafford, Cindy Williams, Richard & Jo O’Connor

The Newfound Lake Region Association is the only member-supported non-profit organization dedicated to stewardship of our unique and priceless land and water. We encourage residents and visitors alike to become members to support our work with you to keep the Newfound Region healthy and beautiful for generations to come.

Thanks for being such an important part of what makes the Newfound Region so special. Please visit us at 800 Lake Street in Bristol, give us a call at 744-8689, or join us at one of our many workshops or public events. Visit our web site too: www.newfoundlake.org. We welcome your input and will do our best to follow through for the benefit of our watershed community.

Sincerely,
Boyd Smith, Executive Director
Martha Twombly, Program Director

Conservation Commission

Once again the year has come to and end, looking back on what we've accomplished this year! We had another great Fishing Derby with 20 plus more kids this year than last year. With the addition this year of our shade hut, a great time was had by all! Thanks go to the GRC for their help with the hot coffee, cocoa, burgers and hotdogs. We are asking for our budget money to be transferred to our conservation fund each year. We are once again trying to plan this year's Fishing Derby. Thank you for all your support.

And we look forward to seeing everyone at the Derby.

Sincerely

Gordon Coursey-Chairperson

Kyle Browning-Co Chairperson

Jackie Brogna-Secretary

John Whitney

Joyce Whitney

Joyce Tolman

Betty Smolinsky

Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is often thought of as the board which oversees the Town's zoning ordinances. This is not the case. The ZBA neither creates the ordinance nor enforces it. The ZBA's role is to make exceptions to the land use ordinances based on specific legal conditions. Additionally, it acts as a quasi-legal organization which acts as a board of appeal for the other boards of the town in land use issues.

In the Town of Groton our Zoning Ordinance permits everything except new commercial operations, so there has been little to cause cases to be addressed by the ZBA. Our year has been marked with 2 cases heard. As with most laws there are exceptions which fall to the ZBA to resolve.

We are required to elect our ZBA members (5) and alternates (3). The terms are for three years.

I would like to thank the current ZBA for their work and support of the Groton ZBA. Their dedication to the town is highly appreciated. The Town of Groton will continue to benefit from your service.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chuck Stata (Chair)

Kevin Maas

Bruce Jones

Joe Koslow (Alternate)

Glen Hansen (Alternate)

Frank Grelle

Gordon Coursey

Patti Bailey (Alternate)

Tapply Thompson Center

The TTCC staff would like to wish everyone a Happy & Healthy 2009.

We are grateful to all of the volunteers, sponsors, coaches and donors that helped to make 2008 a success. With your help we were able to offer some exciting programs and fundraisers. Here are just a few of the highlights:

- **Newfound Biggest Loser:** We are pleased to report that the TTCC received the New Hampshire Recreation & Park Association Program Excellence award for it's Biggest Loser Program! We ran 3 more 12-week sessions in '08 involving 162 participants who lost a combined 1,357 pounds (that brings the grand total to 2,246 pounds lost through the TTCC Biggest Loser Program!)
- **Celebrating Our Stars:** In 2008 the TTCC recognized Scott Desmond of New Hampton for he and his family's outstanding volunteerism for the TTCC.
- **Annual Fund:** The TTCC staff produced our first Supporter's Newsletter for our 2008 Annual Fund campaign. The response has been amazing. We are so grateful for the generosity of all those that have contributed.
- **Westward Bound Teen Expedition II:** Thirteen 7th & 8th grade students participated in a weeklong trip to Colorado and South Dakota during August of 2008. They visited the Colorado Rockies, Badlands National Park, Custer State Park, Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse and the town of Deadwood. We are grateful to the many trip sponsors that helped to make this possible. The teens that were chosen to participate sold cash calendars to help offset the cost of the trip as well. They logged 1,500 miles over 8 days and were 'treated' to a hailstorm in the Rocky Mountains. They spent eight days learning about our Country's great history, working together as a group and growing as individuals. We would like to thank New Hampshire Electric Coop for the grant we received toward the cost of the 2008 trip.

Some of the building projects completed this year included rebuilding the wall in the front of the building, new lights in the game room and archery range, painting of the downstairs floor, refinishing the gym floor, and replacement of our water fountain.

Thank you to JP Morrison and Harold Haney for their donations and work on our wall project.

We would like to express our continued gratitude to the Bristol United Church of Christ for the use of the TTCC building. Their support of our program is priceless!

Thanks to the Bristol Rotary Club, Bristol Community Services and the Bristol United Church of Christ for scholarship funding for our summer camp participants. The Slim Baker Foundation continues to support our summer program with donations of funds for activities and through the use of their facility. Lastly we want to thank the NH Marathon Committee, which donated \$4,000 from the proceeds of the marathon in 2008.

In closing we want to thank the residents of the Newfound Towns for your support of the TTCC. Come & recreate with us in 2009. The Benefits are Endless...

Plymouth Regional Clinic

Plymouth Regional Clinic is requesting that area towns appropriate funds to the clinic in their 2009-2010 budgets. We are a nonprofit clinic providing general medical care to area residents who have limited incomes and no health insurance. Since the clinic opened in July 1994, our volunteer physicians, physician's assistant, nurse practitioners and nurses have provided medical care one evening a week for more than 4,600 patients visits.

We have seen patients of all ages and for varying medical complaints, from minor ailments to life-threatening illness, with many seeking treatment for illnesses or conditions which have gone unattended because the patient could not afford medical care. We have also assisted many patients in identifying and accessing other available medical and social services which might help them.

In addition, since July 2000, we have offered limited assistance with the cost of prescription medications for our patients who are unable to pay for a prescription written for them at our clinic. Because of the high cost of many prescription medications and our budgetary constraints, this service is limited to patients whose prescription has been written at Plymouth Regional Clinic, for short-term, immediate needs.

Plymouth Regional Clinic does not charge for its services and we have managed to keep operating expenses low through the generous donation of in-kind services by Family Planning, Speare Memorial Hospital and area businesses; as well as through the volunteer services of our area healthcare providers and other volunteers. Nevertheless, the costs associated with a part-time administrator and our prescription assistance mean that our expenses continue to increase. Other necessary expenses include costs for insurance, telephone service, medical and office supplies, photocopying and government fees, among other items. We are funded, in part, by Speare Memorial Hospital and Lakes Region United Way. We also continue to solicit donations through our annual appeal letter each December. The generosity of area towns, however, remains crucial to the continuation of our ongoing efforts to provide care for the uninsured.

In recognition of the budgetary constraints faced by area towns, we are making the same request for funding as in past years that area towns place in their 2009 budgets (for FY 2009-2010) an appropriation of \$1,000 or any portion of this which the town feels is appropriate. It is hoped that the towns may realize some savings in the medical portion of their welfare budgets due to the availability of Plymouth Regional Clinic's services.

If you have questions please feel free to contact Eileen Towne, our Executive Director, at 536-4467.

We hope the towns will continue to support our efforts to meet the medical needs of community members who cannot afford health care. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Scott Meyer, MSW, Ph.D.
President, Board of Directors
Plymouth Regional Clinic

Tri-County Community Action Program

Tri-County Community Action Program is a private, non-profit agency which provides necessary services to the less fortunate citizens in our communities. During the fiscal year 2006-2007 we provided the following services to Groton Residents:

<u>Services Provided:</u>	<u># of Households</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
Fuel Assistance Includes 5 emergencies	28	\$17,635
Weatherization	1	\$5,073
Homeless Funds	0	
State-Wide Electric Assist. Program	20	\$9,040

THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION, THE CITIZENS OF GROTON HAVE RECEIVED A TOTAL OF \$31,748 BETWEEN JULY 1, 2007 AND JUNE 30, 2008. THIS REPRESENTS A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE.

Community Contact is the field service arm of the Tri-County Community Action Program. The purpose of this program is to assist low-income, elderly, and handicapped persons to solve individual problems and to meet their needs through individual and/or group self help efforts. C.A.P. staff accomplished this purpose by providing information, counseling and by effectively linking and utilizing community resources. If possible, we also may assist with Emergency Fund dollars in the form of vouchers.

CATEGORY	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE	SERVICE UNITS
FOOD/HOUSING	Emergency food pantry/food stamp referrals, Emer. Housing/Sec. Dep. Loans, Tenant/landlord relations, Landlord lists	3
ENERGY	Elec. Disconnects, fuel outages, home repairs, weatherization, fuel wood, heat source repair requests, furnace issues	72
HOMELESS	Assistance to the homeless or those in imminent danger of being homeless	2
INCOME/BUDGET COUNSELING	Employment/job training referrals, debt &/or money management, financial plan reviews, welfare referrals	2
HEALTH ISSUES	Medicare/Medicaid info/referrals, mental health, dental, substance abuse, emergency response units, breast cancer awareness	4
TRANSPORTATION	Area public transportation info, car pool info Information re: Senior transportation for medical and other needs	2
OTHER ISSUES	Clothing vouchers, domestic violence program referrals, Legal Aide referrals, Children's Hat & Mitten Program	4
TOTAL SERVICE UNITS		89

Genesis Behavioral Health

Thank you!!!

The appropriation that we received from the Town of Groton's 2008 budget has helped us to cover the costs of providing emergency mental health care to residents of your town.

During Fiscal Year 2008 (ending June 30, 2008), a total of 5 Groton residents came to Genesis seeking help for their mental health problems. Their ages break down as follows:

Age Range	Number of Clients	\$
Ages 1—17	1	\$0.00
Ages 18—59	3	\$1,310.78
Age 60 and over	1	\$0.00
Total	5	\$1,310.78

At Genesis we strive to enhance the quality of life in our communities by providing services that promote recovery from mental illness and emotional distress, in collaboration with clients, families and our community partners. Our staff is accountable for placing individuals on the path to recovery from mental illness and aiding them in their daily lives throughout the process.

We specialize in individual and group counseling and psychiatric services. We work with our most persistently ill patients on basic life skills such as public interaction and stable employment. We help parents and children to foster strong family relationships. Working with local police and fire departments, we provide emergency services 24 hours a day 7 days a week to residents of any age who are going through a mental health crisis.

Your financial support has helped to support our work with children, families and adults. The services provided by Genesis Behavioral Health help improve the quality of life for so many and yet are rarely covered by insurance plans or state programs. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Margaret M. Pritchard
Executive Director

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln, and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink Resource Center and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and Volunteer Center (RSVP). Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, congregate dining programs, transportation, elder care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2008, 26 older residents of Groton were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Plymouth Regional Senior Center:

- Older adults from Groton enjoyed 51 balanced meals in the company of friends in the center's dining room.
- They received 262 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 5 visits with a trained outreach worker.
- Groton residents also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 63 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Groton residents in 2008 was \$2,191.72.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Groton's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner,
Executive Director

Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice

Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice strives to provide the citizens of Groton with a multitude of services and programs. Key initiatives during **2008** have been...

- Implementing a Hospice Bereavement Program. This program continues with the families after the patient passes away.
- Performing a total of 307 visits for 12 patients in Groton.
- Hosting two flu clinics in October at our facility for all community residents.
- Holding the Annual Hospice Memorial service on September 21, 2008 at 3:00 pm at The Starr King Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Church on Fairgrounds Road in Plymouth.
- Monthly Foot Care Clinics at the Plymouth Regional Senior Center for local community members for the purpose of grooming toenails and recommendations to physicians if necessary.
- Monthly Blood Pressure Clinics at the Plymouth Regional Senior Center for local community members to help promote healthy living.
- Community outreach programs included a two part series on Firm Footing and Fall Risk screening to further assist community members in achieving optimal health.

We appreciate and thank you for your ongoing loyal support of our services and our staff.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Meyer, MSW, Ph.D., Interim Executive Director

Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District

The Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District met five (5) times during 2008. This past year District programs provided residents access for proper disposal of their household hazardous wastes (HHW), paint, fluorescent light bulbs, antifreeze and rechargeable batteries.

The District held two one-day HHW collections in 2008 (Lisbon and Plymouth). 204 vehicles serving an estimated 490 residents took part in the “program”. This was an increase of 24 vehicles from 2007. There were also towns that brought waste that had been dropped off at their transfer stations since the last collections held in the fall of ‘07.

The total cost for the one-day collection program was \$28,680, which was a 27% increase from 2007. Income to offset this expenditure was received from participating non-District towns (\$2,875) and the NHDES HHW grant program (\$7,300), resulting in a net cost of \$18,505. The cost increase for the 2008 program can be attributed to three factors; (1) An increase in the amount of non-processable paints collected, (2) an increase in the amount of pesticides collected, and (3) a significant increase in the charges associated with the Materials Recovery Fee (MRF). The MRF correlates with the price of diesel fuel. Due to high diesel prices at the time of the collections, the District was assessed a fee rate of 17.5%. The rise in the amount of money the District has paid in MRFs in recent years is a concern. As part of a coordinated program with North Country Council (NCC), the District will be looking at proposals from a number of HHW contractors to determine if there are more cost effective means to manage the one-day collection program in 2009.

In 2009, residents from District communities will be able to participate in at least two one-day collections. NCC is hoping to secure a third location as well. The exact dates and locations have not been set at this time, but the collections will be held sometime in late summer or early fall. In conjunction with the one-day collection program, many towns collected paint, used-oil, fluorescent light bulbs, antifreeze and rechargeable batteries at their municipal facilities. These programs typically provide less expensive recycling options while offering residents more opportunities to properly dispose of their hazardous materials. Residents should contact their local recycling center or town office to see what programs are available in their community.

The District dealt with legislative issues as well. HB 1429, which would have impacted landfill operations in New Hampshire, posed serious concerns to the District. As drafted, HB 1429 had the potential to decrease landfill capacity in the State, decreasing competition, which could lead to higher disposal and transportation costs. The District sent a letter to the Senate Energy, Environment and Economic Development Committee in opposition to HB 1429 and some members testified in

opposition as well. The bill reemerged from committee hearings as HB 1471, a directive to the Department of Environmental Services to prepare a plan and proposal for legislative action in the 2009 legislative session addressing a number of items relating to solid waste management.

2009 will likely be a challenging year for many municipal recycling programs as they deal with budget issues and the recent slump in the prices paid for recyclables. However, the District is very fortunate to have a knowledgeable and innovative group of facility operators and committee representatives. If your town has questions, issues, or concerns you would like to address please be sure to use the resources you have at your availability. Citizens interested in participating in the development of the District's programs are also welcomed to attend the District meetings. Information regarding the place and time of the meetings is available at all municipal offices or at NCC.

Respectively submitted,

Robert Berti,
Chairman, PBSWD

District One

As I start my 31st and 32nd years of service to this large Northern Council District, I am hopeful and excited for new opportunities for rural America. With a new administration in Washington new economic programs are in the future. Our role at the state, county and local level is to have justified applications that will be used to stimulate job retention and creation. County and regional economic development councils coupled with community action agencies will be putting these new initiatives to work.

The NH Congressional Delegation- Senator Judd Gregg. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Congressman Paul Hodes and Congresswoman Carol Shea Porter joining other Northeastern states of Maine, Vermont, New York and other New England Congressman can cause new resources to become available. I urge that we, at the state, county and local levels of government, step up with our concerns and let them know our needs.

2009 will start another year of the 10-year NH Highway Transportation Planning process working through the Regional Planning Commissions. Transportation Enhancement and Congestion Mitigation Air quality grants are back in play. Contact William Watson at NH DOT for details at 271-3344 or bwatson@dot.state.nh.us

The 2009 session of the NH House and Senate will be a trying time with proposed cut-backs and how to still provide and meet constitutional and statutory needs. Be watchful of proposed legislation passing costs to county and local levels of government. Stay close to your local state senator and house members.

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of boards and commissions. If you are interested please send your resume to Governor John Lynch, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 attention Jennifer Kuzma Director of Appointments/Liasion or at (603) 271-2121.

A complete list is available at the NH Secretary of State website at www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm

My office has available informational items; NH Constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I send, via email, a Monday morning schedule. Send me your email address to be added to the list if you'd like at rburton@nh.gov.

Please contact my office anytime I can be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Raymond Burton, Executive Councilor

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION
GROTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Resident Death Report
01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008**

Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
Ashley, Rowe	02/07/2008	Meredith, NH	Ashley, Alfred	Holland, Esther
Beever, Eben	03/03/2008	Plymouth, NH	Beever, John	Andrew, Jane
McCue, Lillian	09/16/2008	Groton, NH	Hartman, Anthony	Hosek, Lillian
Smolinsky, Edward	09/17/2008	Groton, NH	Smolinsky, John	Duffy, Mary
Yinger, Aileen	10/10/2008	Clearwater, FL	Humphrey, Fred	Salisbury, Fay

**Resident Marriage Report
01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008**

Groom's Name	Groom's Resi	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
Sousa, Ronald	Groton, NH	Coursey, Tammy	Groton, NH	Plymouth, NH	Canaan, NH	01/13/2008
Clogston, Justin	Groton, NH	Ballou, Michelle	Groton, NH	Bristol, NH	Groton, NH	07/12/2008
Hougardy, Jake	Eugene, OR	Steel, Jessica	Groton, NH	Hebron, NH	Groton, NH	08/19/2008

Telephone Directory

Citizens need all sorts of information. This directory has a variety of way you may seek help and assistance from the New Hampshire Government online: www.nh.gov

Emergency - Fire, Police, Medical	911
Traveler Information	511
NH Help Line (24 Hour)	1-800-852-3388
Headrest (Crisis Line)	1-800-639-6095
Citizen Services (Governor's Office)	1-800-852-3456
NH State Police (Emergency Line)	1-800-525-5555
Grafton County Sheriff	1-800-564-6911
Carroll County Sheriff	1-800-552-8960
Tri-County Community Action	1-800-552-4617
Southwestern Community Service	1-800-529-0005
Belknap/Merrimack Community Action	1-800-856-5525
NH Employment Security	1-800-852-3400
NH Health & Human Services	1-800-852-3345
NH Veterans Council	1-800-622-9230
NH Insurance Department	1-800-852-3416
NH Emergency Management	1-800-852-3792
NH Public Utilities Commission	1-800-852-3793
Granite State Living Foundation	1-800-826-3700
NH State Liquor Commission	1-800-543-4664
NH Community Technical Colleges	1-800-247-3420
Autocap	1-800-852-3305
Corrections Information	1-800-479-0688
NH Workforce Council	1-800-772-7001
NH Elderly & Adult Services	1-800-442-5640
NH Dept. of Labor	1-800-272-4353
NH AIDS Hotline	1-800-752-2437
NH Housing Authority	1-800-439-7247
NH Higher Educational Assistance	1-800-525-2577
Support Center for Domestic Violence	1-800-774-0544
NH Superior Court	1-800-462-9404
NH Department of Education	1-800-339-9900
NH Fire Academy	1-800-371-4503
NH Assistive Technology	1-800-932-5837
American Red Cross	1-800-834-1501
NH Micro Credit (Businesses)	1-800-769-3482
Small Business Tech Assist.	1-800-837-0656
NH Women & Infant Care (WIC)	1-800-852-3310
Child & Family Services	1-800-640-6486
Service Link	1-800-634-9412